

KENYON FIELD CHAMBERLAIN

The untimely death of Kenyon Field Chamberlain on Dec. 4, 1947, has interrupted an important work on the Coleoptera: a revision of the extremely difficult genus Helophorus. He was engaged in the continuation of the work of the late Fred E. Winters of California on this genus.

He was born in Cornwall, Conn., on July 12, 1893. He attended the preparatory school of Rockridge in Wellesley Hills, Mass.; studied two years at Colby College in Waterville, Maine, and graduated from Columbia University in 1918. He was tax collector of the Town of Cornwall and served a term in the Connecticut General Assembly in 1923. He was appointed Assistant Entomologist to the State of New York in May, 1926, and served until ill health confined him to his home in May of 1947.

Students of the Coleoptera are the losers because the routine duties of his position prevented the publication of his knowledge of this order of insects, especially the species and habits of the water beetles in which groups he was particularly interested.

He was a fine collector and a delightful field companion and correspondent. As a preparator his work was excellent and his technique in the preparation of Helophorus genitalia might well be studied by others. Among his other accomplishments he was a very good photographer.

I feel that death has taken an untimely toll from the knowledge of the Coleoptera and cut short the thorough and careful investigations that were being made by him. I have lost an esteemed friend and correspondent.

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CORRECTIONS

Vol. II, p. 17, (Cantonnet & Theodoridès) biotopes instead of biotypes.

Vol. II, p. 26, Gutierrez: Coprophagous.

E.B. Larsen: Stenus not Sterrus.